MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): There may be a Dictionary in the Legislative Council Library.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): May I know whether the punishment was according to the gravity of the crime?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): May I know whether it is desirable to retain that corrupt officer in that Department?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): There is no evidence that he was corrupt. For the irregularity he committed he has been punished.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): May I know for what purpose he was punished?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): For committing that irregularity.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): May I know that irregularity?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Difference in weighment.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): May I know the present designation of that officer.

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): It is given in the answer to part (*c*).

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): May I know the name of the officer by whom the punishment was given?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): That too is given in the answer.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): May I know whether such light punishment is not likely to bring about multiplication of such defalcation cases?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): I do not think the punishment is light.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): May I know who punished that officer?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): That also is given in the answer to part (*c*).

Manakudi-Rajakamangalam road.

194. MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there was a proposal to construct a road between Manakudi and Rajakamangalam;

(*b*) whether the alignment of the said road is over;

(*c*) whether the proposed alignment is connected with Osaravila, Malananchan-Kudiyiruppu, Elantavila, Nainavur, Kilakrishnanputur, Melakrishnanputur, Pallam, Mangavila, Katamattivila and other villages;

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(*d*) whether there was any provision therefor in the Budget for 1106;

(*e*) how long it will take to complete the work; and

(*f*) whether the work was a part of the larger scheme of having a continuous road along the sea-coast between Cape Comorin and Trivandrum?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) There is a proposal to connect the Manakudi road from near Puthalam with Rajakamangalam.

(*b*) The road is being dealt with in different sections. The section between Eathomboly and Rajakamangalam and the section from Eathomboly eastwards for 2½ miles have been aligned. The remaining length of the road is under investigation.

(*c*) The proposed road will pass through or near the villages mentioned by the member.

(*d*) Yes; but it was surrendered.

(*e*) This depends upon the availability of funds. There is only a grant of Rs. 500 this year which will be utilised for land acquisition.

(*f*) Yes.

Tariff value of products of the cocoanut palm.

195. **MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI** (*Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the tariff rates for the last 25 years on coir, copra, cocoanut oil and cocoanuts with their corresponding market rates?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): For information regarding the tariff rates for the last 25 years on copra, coir, cocoanut oil and cocoanuts, the member is referred to the *Travancore Almanac and Directory* for the respective years. Information regarding the market rates of the articles for the last 25 years is not available.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*): May I know whether there is any relation between the tariff rate and the market rate?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): There is some difference between the two.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*): My question is whether there is any relation, any ratio?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*): May I know what is the difference between the tariff rate and the market rate?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): For that too, I claim notice.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*): How is the tariff rate fixed then?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

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